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steamers to touch at this port for coffee for Europe. As a rule they come from infected or suspicious ports. Five bills of health were issued.

Respectfully,

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

[Inclosure.]

Number and causes of deaths in Ponce jurisdiction (city, playa, and surrounding country) during the month of November, 1901.

PONCE, P. R., December 6, 1901.

Diseases of—		Tuberculosis.....	10
Digestive system.....	38	Cancer.....	2
Respiratory system.....	11	Wounds.....	1
Circulatory system.....	5	Metritis.....	1
Nervous system.....	7	Puerperal fever.....	2
Anæmia, malnutrition, inanition.....	12	Hepatitis.....	3
Malaria.....	8	Rhachitis.....	2
Typhoid fever.....	1		
La grippe.....	4	Total.....	108
Nephritis.....	1		

Number of deaths reported during November, 1901 (a).....	108
Number of deaths reported during November, 1900 (a).....	270
Number of births reported during November, 1901 (a).....	115
Number of births reported during November, 1900 (a).....	115

a These figures are for the city proper, the playa, and surrounding district of Ponce, P. R.

Inspection of immigrants at Ponce for the week ended December 7, 1901.

PONCE, P. R., December 9, 1901.

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended December 7, 1901.

December 4, French steamship *St. Domingue*, from Fort de France and St. Thomas, with 6 immigrants.

Respectfully,

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Report of immigrants inspected at the port of Ponce, P. R., during the month of November, 1901.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 15; number passed, 15.

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from San Juan and subports.

SAN JUAN, P. R., December 5, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith the following report of the transactions of the Service at this and the 6 subports of the island of Porto Rico for the month of November, 1901:

San Juan.—Number of vessels inspected, 19; number of bills of health issued, 30; number of vessels held in quarantine, 3; number of